

Free!!!

Community Programs Spring 2017

Free, fun activities for the whole family to enjoy!



The Outdoor Campus

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Registration Information

Registration opens:

Wednesday, February 8th at 7:00 a.m. for spring programs

What is the cost?

Youth programs are **FREE**, but some adult classes have a materials fee. **Our programs are funded by the sale of fishing and hunting licenses. Thank a hunter or angler for these educational opportunities!**

Pre-registration is required for all classes and programs. All classes require class participants to sign a waiver.

How do I register?

1. On our website at www.outdoorcampus.org
 - Choose the Sioux Falls Outdoor Campus
 - Click on Registration on the right side of the screen
 - If you are a new user you will need to create an account, then you will be ready to register for programs!
2. Sign up at The Outdoor Campus. We have a computer available for your use Monday through Friday from 8 a.m-5 p.m., Saturday from 10-4 p.m. We will be closed on Sundays until April 1st.
3. Call us at 362-2777.

Cancellations:

Many programs fill quickly. PLEASE call us or cancel on the website as soon as possible if you cannot attend a class.

Waiting List

We highly recommend signing up on the waiting list if the class is full! If there is a high demand for a program we will try our best to add an additional class called a POPUP that will be posted on our registration website. Notifications of POPUP classes will appear on Facebook and Twitter.

Sprouts Program (3-4 yr olds)

The Sprouts program is a nature awareness program geared for 3-4 yr olds with an adult partner. These classes help preschoolers explore the natural world through a variety of age-appropriate activities.



“T” is for Turtle

Scamper on down to The Outdoor Campus to meet and learn about South Dakota turtles. We will learn all about these shelled critters through fun, hands on activities.

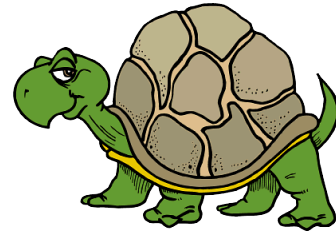
Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Saturday, March 4, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, March 8, 10-10:45 a.m.

Saturday, March 18, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, March 22, 10-10:45 a.m.



“U” is for Underground Animals

Dig on down to The Outdoor Campus to learn about some of South Dakota’s subterranean species! It’s dark, damp and dirty but these little critters call it home. Be prepared to get dirty as we explore underground habitats!

Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Saturday, April 1, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, April 5, 10-10:45 a.m.

Wednesday, April 19, 10-10:45 a.m.

Saturday, April 22, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.



“V” is for Very Hungry Caterpillar

Come join us as we learn about the life of a caterpillar based off of Eric Carle’s famous book, “The Very Hungry Caterpillar.”

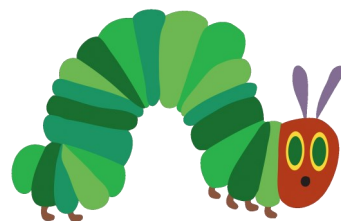
Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Saturday, May 6, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, May 10, 10-10:45 a.m.

Saturday, May 13, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, May 24, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.



Nature Story Time

Join us on a reading adventure as we explore our nature library. We will read stories each month about animals, nature, kids in the outdoors and lots more.

Age: 1-4 yr olds with an adult partner

Class Dates:

Monday, March 13, 9-9:45 a.m.

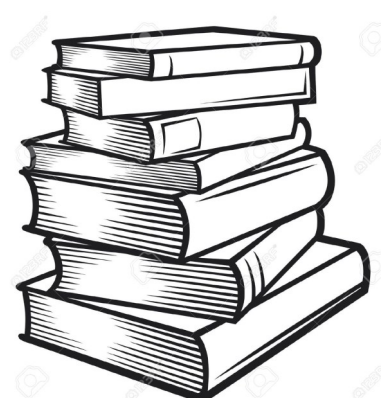
Monday, April 10, 9-9:45 a.m.

Monday, May 8, 9-9:45 a.m.

Bears

Turtles

Bugs





Lil Angler (3-4 yr. olds)

The goal of the Lil Angler program is to teach preschoolers about fishing skills and ethics. Under the supervision of our trained staff, kids and their adult partners will learn fishing skills first in the classroom and then on the water.

Fishing Basics

Learn the basics of what it takes to fish in SD and how to do it safely. We'll talk about basic equipment, safety and ethics before heading out to the pond and throwing in a line.

Age: 3-4 year olds with adult

Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Wednesday, May 3, 10-11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, May 17, 10-11:00 a.m.



Lil Hunter (3-4 yr olds)

The goal of the Lil Hunter program is to teach preschoolers and their adult partners about hunting skills and ethics. Programs involve lots of fun, hands-on activities supervised by our trained staff.

Target Shooting

Come for an action-packed morning as we learn all about the sport of shooting our Nerf guns.

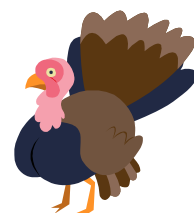
Class Dates: Wednesday, March 29, 10-11:00 am



Turkey Hunting Basics

Join us for an action-packed hour as we learn all about the sport of turkey hunting.

Class Dates: Wednesday, April 12, 10-11:00 am



Young Naturalist (5-7 yr olds)

The goal of the Young Naturalist program is to introduce 5-7 year olds to South Dakota's natural environment and resources. *Parents are welcome to stay or go during the program.*



Salamanders

Come join us as we learn about another amphibian in South Dakota, the salamander.

Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Saturday, March 4, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.

Saturday, March 18, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.



Rabbits of South Dakota

Hop on down and learn about the rabbits that call South Dakota home.

Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Saturday, April 1, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.

Saturday, April 22, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.



Animal Sounds

Honks, quacks, growls-come join us as we learn about the wild sounds of South Dakota!

Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Saturday, May 6, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.

Saturday, May 13, 10-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.



**POP UP
PROGRAMS**

Pop up programs will be advertised on our social media pages: Facebook and Twitter. We will also list pop ups on our registration website or you can call and ask our secretary for more info.

Check our website for changes and additions to this booklet at:

www.outdoorcampus.org



Young Angler (5-7 yr. olds)

The goal of the Young Angler program is to teach youth about fishing skills and ethics. Under the supervision of our trained staff, youth will learn fishing skills first in the classroom and then on the water.

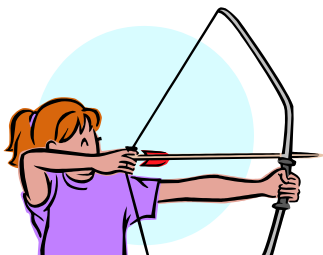
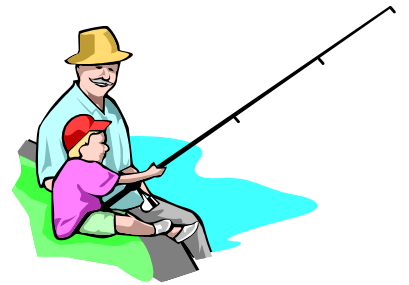
Fishing Basics

Learn the basics of what it takes to fish in SD and how to do it safely. We'll talk about basic equipment, safety and ethics before heading out to the pond and throwing in a line.

Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Saturday, May 6, 2-3:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 20, 9-10 a.m.



Young Hunter (5-7 yr olds)

The goal of the Young Hunter program is to teach youth about hunting skills and ethics. Programs involve lots of fun, hands-on activities supervised by our trained staff.

Shooting Basics

Come join us as we sharpen our aim at target shooting. We will be using Nerf guns indoors.

Class Dates: Saturday, March 11, 1-2:00 p.m.

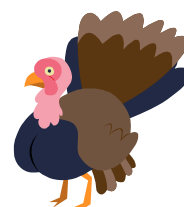


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Turkey Hunting Basics

Come to the Campus for an action-packed morning as we learn all about the sport of turkey hunting.

Class Dates: Saturday, April 8, 10-11:00 a.m.



Archery Basics

Learn how to safely handle and shoot a youth sized bow and arrow. We will practice our aim on our 3-D animal targets and learn how to take an ethical shot.

Class Dates: Thursday, May 18, 4-5:00 p.m.



Jr. Naturalist (8-12 yr olds)

The goal of the Junior Naturalist program is to teach 8-12 yr olds about South Dakota's natural environment and its inhabitants through interactive games and activities as well as outdoor expeditions.



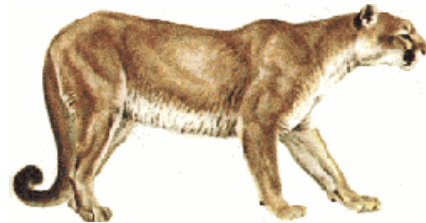
In Like a Lion

Come learn all about the mountain lion.

Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Saturday, March 4, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 18, 1:30-3:00 p.m.



Animal Tricks

Come learn what tricks animals play to survive.

Class Dates: (pick **one** of the following)

Saturday, April 1, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 22, 1:30-3:00 p.m.



South Dakota Bees

The state insect of South Dakota is the honeybee. This class will teach you about the honeybee and other SD pollinators.

Class Dates: (pick **one** of the following)

Saturday, May 6, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 13, 1:30-3:00 p.m.



Junior Explorer (8-12 yr olds)

The goal of the Junior Explorer program is to introduce youth to fun outdoor activities under the supervision of trained staff members.

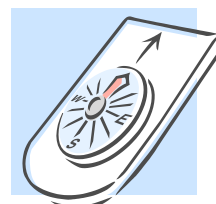


Jr. Explorer: Orienteering

Before GPS units, hunters used a map and compass. Navigate to The Outdoor Campus and learn the basics behind using a map and compass and try your newly learned skills on our course.

Class Date:

Saturday, March 25, 10-11:00 a.m.

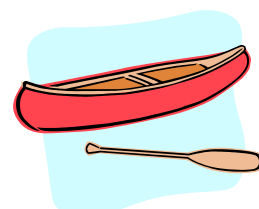


Jr. Explorer: Paddling

Come learn basic safety and paddling strokes, then practice your new skills on our pond in canoes and kayaks.

Class Date:

Tuesday, May 23, 4-5:00 p.m.



Junior Angler (8-12 yr. olds)



The goal of the Junior Angler program is to teach 8-12 yr olds about fishing skills and ethics. Under the supervision of our trained staff, youth will learn fishing skills in the classroom and then on the water.

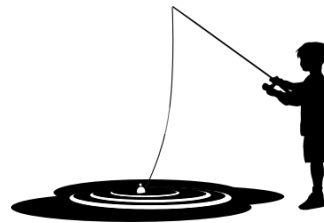
Fishing Basics

What better way to spend a day than fishing in our pond? Learn the basics of fishing, including equipment, safety and ethics before dropping your hook.

Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Tuesday, May 16, 4-5:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 20, 10:00 -11:00 am



Junior Hunter (8-12 yr olds)

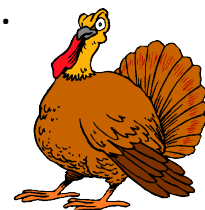


The goal of the Junior Hunter program is to teach youth about hunting skills and ethics. Programs involve fun, hands on activities supervised by our trained staff.

Turkey Hunting Basics

Come to the Campus for an action-packed afternoon as we learn all about the sport of turkey hunting. Improve your shot with the BB guns at the range and practice using several types of turkey calls.

Class Dates: Saturday, April 8, 11 a.m.-Noon



BB Gun Basics

Join us on the Outdoor Campus BB gun range as we learn basic safety, shooting positions and techniques used while shooting and hunting. Improve your accuracy with every shot and take home a target riddled with holes.

Class Dates: Tuesday, May 9, 4-5:00 p.m.

Archery Basics

Ever dreamed of hunting turkey, deer or bear with a bow and arrow? Draw back the string on the Campus' compound bows and practice your marksmanship on our 3-D animal targets.

Class Dates: Thursday, May 11, 4-5:00 pm



Family Programs (All ages unless listed)

The goal of the Family Programs is to encourage families to experience outdoor activities together.

Nifty Nature Walks

If you love the outdoors, or are interested in doing more activities outdoors, join us on an informal walk around campus. We will discuss and explore whatever happens to come our way. The great thing about nature is that you never know what you are going to see!

Class Date:

Saturday, March 11, 10-11:00 a.m.



Family GPS/Geocaching Basics

Learn the basics of Global Positioning Systems and how it got started. We'll get outside and use a GPS receiver to navigate a GPS course as we search for hidden caches! GPS units are great tools for safety, and to be able to navigate around in the field or on a lake.

Class Date: Saturday, April 15, 10-11:30 a.m.



Family Orienteering

Before GPS units, hunters used a map and compass. Navigate to The Outdoor Campus and learn the basics behind using a map and compass and try your newly learned skills on our course.

Class Date: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Saturday, March 25, 1-2:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 15, 1-2:30 p.m.

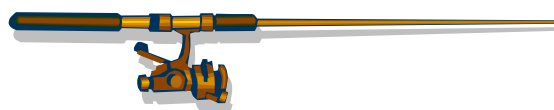
Family Fishing Basics

Fishing is a great outdoor activity for the whole family. Learn what equipment you will need, practice your casting and test your fishing skills at our pond.

Class Dates: (pick **ONE** of the following)

Thursday, April 29, 1-2:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 13, 1:30-3:00 p.m.



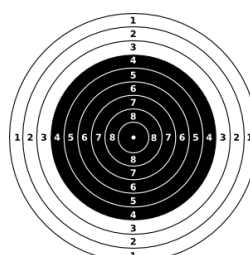
Family Shooting Basics

Come sharpen your shooting eye as we will go over the basics of shooting. We will go over different shooting positions and techniques to help you become more successful on your next hunting adventure. Air rifles and BB guns will be used in this class.

Age: Families; **8 yrs and older**

Class Date:

Saturday, April 29, 10-11:30 a.m.



Family Archery 101

Deer, turkey, bear and bull's-eyes await your arrows on the lawn of The Outdoor Campus. This class will teach you and your family the basics of archery and archery hunting in a fun and safe environment.

Class Date:

Thursday, May 18, 6-7:30 p.m.



Family Paddling

Join us for this family-friendly paddling program. Learn basic safety and paddling strokes, and then practice your new skills on our pond in canoes and kayaks.

Age: 5 yrs and up to canoe; 8 yrs and up to kayak

Class Date:

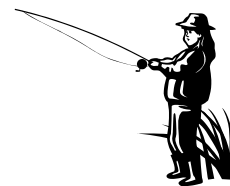
Tuesday, May 23 6-7:30 p.m.



Catch it, Clean it, Cook it

Come join us on a Campus fishing adventure. With a little luck we will catch a fish, demonstrate cleaning it and cook it as well.

Class Date: Thursday, May 25, 6-8:00 p.m.



Adult Custom Rod Building

Join volunteer instructors John Hagerman and Kenny Bratzel as they lead students through the process of building a custom fishing rod. You may take the class whether you are new to rod building or have a little experience under your belt. Please thoroughly read the following information about this class.

During the orientation, class participants will learn about the rod building process, rods that can be built (including spinning, spin casting and fly rods), elements of a rod and associated costs. At the end of the orientation, John will guide you through deciding what to buy . You will be responsible for ordering your rod components and covering the cost of the components! A complete component set starts at \$50-\$75.

The building sessions will take you step-by-step through the process of building your rod. You will need to schedule an additional 1-1.5 hour session with John to use his equipment after the finish is applied to rotate the rod.

You **MUST** attend all 5 dates below for this class!

Class Dates: Wednesday, March 15 from 7-9:00 p.m. (Orientation)

Wednesday, March 29 from 7-9:00 p.m. (Rod building session 1)

Wednesday, April 5 from 7-9:00 p.m. (Rod building session 2)

Wednesday, April 12 from 7-9:00 p.m. (Rod building session 3)

Wednesday, April 19 from 7-9:00 p.m. (Rod building session 4)

Ages: Adults, 16 years and up